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Royal Gardens in Outbreak Protocols

Dear Residents, Family Members, and Staff:

We have had two residents test positive for COVID-19. These cases are considered to be linked and, as a result, Public Health has asked us to put our Home into “outbreak” protocols.

The Home is largely unaffected except for a few residents who will be isolated as a close contact precaution. Those residents are to remain in their rooms, with tray service for all meals. Essential Care Visitors can still visit, but are limited to one visitor at a time, with additional PPE requirements. A reminder that all general visitors should contact our front desk to make an appointment.

The cases were identified through surveillance testing after a single resident tested positive. The other resident is asymptomatic. We are in the process of testing high risk contacts currently. No staff cases have been linked to this outbreak.

We continue to complete rapid antigen tests for visitors, contactors, and staff. All eligible residents have received their 4th vaccine dose, which should provide some additional protection. All our staff are fully vaccinated and those eligible have had their booster-shot.

This news today is a reminder that, despite the Province loosening restrictions, COVID-19 continues to circulate in our community and is a risk to the elderly or those with compromised immune systems. We must continue to be vigilant and diligently practice all remaining COVID safety measures and precautions. We will inform you if/when circumstances change.

Thank you for your cooperation as we work through this challenging situation.

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